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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PETITION TO ACCEPT AN UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED CLAIM FOR THE BENEFIT OF A Prior Filed Provisional Application Under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(6)

Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The above-identified application was filed with a claim of priority as follows: U.S. provisional application Serial No. 60/246,637 filed November 2, 2000. The correct priority information is as follows: The present application claims priority from U.S. provisional application serial number 60/245,248 filed November 2, 2000 and U.S. provisional application serial number 60/246,637 filed November 7, 2000, both of which are incorporated by reference herein. A second preliminary amendment which amends the specification to correct the priority claim has been attached hereto.

1. Petition Fee

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Statement. The entire delay between the date the claim was due under 37 C.F.R. 2. 1.78(a)(5) and the date on which the corrected priority claim is being filed was unintentional.

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